

3 April 1954

MEMORANDUM FOR THE RECORD ✓

SUBJECT: Laboratory for the Technical Services Staff.

1. On 1 April 1954 I telephoned Mr. Hart Perry, International Organizations Division, Bureau of the Budget, to discuss the proposed construction of a laboratory for the Technical Services Staff, a project recommended for approval by the Project Review Committee on 31 March 1954.
2. I reminded Mr. Perry that money for the construction of such a laboratory was included in our "B" budget request for Fiscal Year 1955 funds, but that this item had not been approved by the Bureau of the Budget and was not, therefore, in our presentation to the Congress. I further explained that we could absorb the cost of this construction in our Fiscal Year 1954 funds, that it was intended to locate the laboratory more than twenty miles from Washington, therefore, being consistent with the Government's Dispersal Program, and asked if the Bureau had any objection to our proceeding with this construction.
3. Mr. Perry advised me that the Bureau of the Budget would interpose no objection to such construction provided the initiation of the project in Fiscal Year 1954 did not affect the 1954 Contingency Reserve in any way.
4. I assured Mr. Perry that it was our best estimate at this time that we would be able to absorb within our regular allocation all funds which had been requested and approved from the Contingency Reserve.

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